ME, WHILE FLORRIE IS AWAY.

I'M IT. CRIES EVERY ACTING LEADER OF DE ATE.

Leader Sullivan, It's Alleged, Will Make S-Minute Speeches From the Tall of His Private Car All the Way to Springs-Eagles to Turn Out.

The Hon. Florrie Sullivan, Tammany leader "de Ate," will depart for Hot Springs, Ark., to-morrow, accompanied by a retinue of servants and several camp followers. It will be his first appearance at the health resort since he deposed Martin Engel from the leadership, and the Eagles all along the line from New York have planned a welcome befitting his rank.

When it was definitely known yesterday that he would depart to-morrow there was great hustling among the reformed Engelits Joe Levy, the Duke of Essex street, let no grass grow under his feet.

Say." he said to a crowd of poolroom plungers in Grand street yesterday afterof to me for der next six weeks. I am to be der acting leader while Florrie is away. He gave me der job last night. Look at der contracts I got in me pocket."

levy showed the crowd a bunch of en velopes bearing the name of the Florence J Sullivan Association and the crowd all shook hands with him.

Some time later the Hon. Phil Wissig showed up in Grand street with his sill hat, diamond pin and gold-headed cane.
"I don't care for the job," he announced but Florrie made me take it. I ve got to run the district while he is away. I hope we get a lot of snow so I will have some shevelling jobs to give away. I want it understood, however, that I don't buy

shovels for anybody."

John Brassington, formerly star orator
of the John J. Hickey Association, walked of the John J. Hickey Association, walked up Grand street with his head tilted back and a huge cigar between his teeth.

"See me to-morrow in Christie Sullivan's saloon in the Bowery. That will be my headquarters," he announced. "I have got to take charge of things while Florrie away."

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Cross-Eved Senftman said nothing to the Grand street corner assemblages, but handed out cards reading:

"A. Benjamin Z. Senftman, Acting Leader, Tammany Hall, Eighth Assembly District."

Several members of the Essex Market Bar Association drifted into the Eldridge street station during the day and each in a casual way announced that he was to be the acting Tammany leader while Florrie was away and that if any unfortunates desired any assistance he could get it by sending friends around to the lawyer's office.

Pie-Face Hogan of the Bowery, who weighs 250 pounds and who moved into the district after Florrie took charge, went all around the East Side last night proclaiming himself to be the new acting leader and nobody disputed him. Big Jack Martin, the champion beefsteak eater of the Bowery, also claimed the honor. Before nightfall, it is estimated, there were sixty of them. The Hon. Florrie was in ignorance of all this.

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He will have a rousing send-off to-morrow. Little Buck and Morris Rose will be in charge of the ammunition car and commissary coach. Two trunks filled with playing cards and chips to be used in the progressive euchre games to be played en route were taken to the station last night. Arrangements have been made so that the results of the New Orleans races will be received on board the train by the gentlemen of the party. First bank rolls will be sent to-day to the Hot Springs poolrooms in anticipation that the Sullivan party will bring with them a barrel of bottled up "good things." A circular was distributed around the East Side yesterday the signature of Rosey the lawyer. It read:

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Come to the Grand Central depot Tuesday to see Florrie off. The train starts at 10 A. M. He will travel in his private car. All along the line he will make five-minute speeches to the throngs that will turn out to see and hear him. The Eagles have made arrangements to have brass bands at the more important towns. At Albany Assemblyman "Isay" Cohen will have the Legislature at the depot. While going through Ohio the rain will be labelled with placards reading: train will be labelled with placards reading:
The Reform Party that cleaned out the notorious Red Light District of New York.
At Chicago the freedom of the city will be
presented by Matty Hogan and Bathhouse
John Come one, come all and give our new
champion of decency and Democracy a grand

Rosey could not be found at his usual haunts last night to certify that he was the author of the circular, but it was declared to be genuine by Spike Rosenbloom, first vice-president of the Essex Market

WHO PUT IN THE POISON? Miss Davis Says She Simply Sent a Bettle of Whiskey to Miss Cole.

YORK, Pa., Feb. 22.-The mystery surrounding the sending of a bottle of poison through the mail to Miss Lulu Cole of this city has been cleared up by Detective White. Miss Grace Davis, a young woman of the West End, made a statement to-day to the effect that she had mailed a small bottle of whiskey and a valentine to Miss Cole, explaining that it was all a joke.

When Miss Cole accused me of sending threatening letters to her, of which I am absolutely innocent," said Miss Davis, "I decided to have some fun. I filled a small bottle with whiskey in the presence of my mother and sister and others and, with a valentine, inclosed it in a package and intrusted it to a friend, Percy Blossed, to mail. He tasted some of the whiskey before mailing the package. I marked the bottle 'Nerve Tonic.'"

Miss Davis's story has been corroborated Miss Davis's story has been corroborated and the detective is now working to discover how poison was introduced into the liquor after it left the hands of Blosser, who can prove by witnesses that he had not tampered with the package.

So far as known Miss Davis and Miss Cole have always been friendly.

WOMAN & DAYS ICEBOUND. Hardship of Mrs. Harris and Her Husband

on Great South Bay. BAYPORT, L. I., Feb. 22 .- On Monday of last week Joseph Harris, accompanied by his wife, started to the flats across Great South Bay in search of soft clame. They only took enough food along to last until their proposed return that evening. During the day the weather became in-tensely cold and the ice formed in the bay

until the catboar became icebound. They husbanded their food and fuel and hoisted a signal of distress, for five days the boar remained ice-locked, while very cold weather prevailed. Had they been icebound in the Arctic regions they could secreely have been regions they could scarcely have been more helpless. Finally on the sixth day the boat was sighted by men from Fire Island life saving station and two of the crew ventured ou 1 scooters to see if the hoat was in distress. They found Mr. Harris and his wife benumbed and half famished. The couple were taken to the famished. The couple were taken to the life saving station and cared for until Saturday, when two scooters brought them to the mainland.

Jewish Pedlers Want More Leeway.

Abou 300 Jewish pedlers on the East Side yesterday met at 23 Forsyth stree to ask that the laws regulating their busi-bess be less strictly enforced during the weeks before the Jewish holidays. The matter will be brought to Mayor Low's

tilled Woman Who Annoyed Him. T. Louis, Mo., Feb. 22.-William Rack shot and killed Maggie McGinnis this morning because she hoisted a window in the room in which he was sleeping and the cold air aroused him from his slumbers.

YAQUI KING GOES TO PRISON. His Sentence Confirmed by the Supre

HERMOSILLO, Mexico, Feb. 22.-The Supreme Court of Mexico has affirmed the judgment of the lower court in sen-tencing Temberide, the first King of the Yaquis, and thirteen members of his royal court to two years' imprisonment. They were brought here to-day from Guayamas. King Temberide's brief reign over the tribe of Yaquis was full of turbulence. In the days when the Yaquis were undisturbed by the encroachment of the Govern-

authorities they were ruled by a tribal chief. Three years ago Tebiate, the reigning chief, was killed by Mexican troops and since that time the Indians had no recognized ruler until Temberide few months ago proclaimed himself King. In his proclamation he announced him-self ruler of the whole kingdom of Sonora, mus in a proclamation issued on Saturday. which territory is several times the size of

the original Yaquis country.

King Temberide established his court in little village on the Yaquis River. The location of the capital was not known to the Government military authorities until two citizens of Guayamas, while on an exploring expedition, were captured by fol-lowers of King Temberide and taken before hat ruler. The king wore a crown of feathers and a leather mantle. The two explorers were tried and sentenced to be executed, but this sentence was afterward commuted to several whippings, which they received. They finally made their

authorities. A detachment of troops was sent to the capital and the king and thirteen members of his court were captured. They were

escape from the village and returned to Guayamas and notified the military

MISS HALEY'S \$50,000 SUIT. She Says That G. O. Curtis Was Known a

"Mr. Halley" and She as "Mrs. Halley." BOSTON, Feb. 22.-Miss Bessie L. Haley, on whose behalf an action for the recovery of \$50,000 for alleged breach of promis o marry, in a suit against George O. Curtis Back Bay society man, has been filed here s bitter against the defendant.

"It is perfectly true," said Miss Haley last night, "that I have sued Mr. Curtis for breach of promise and that I have attached his property, or rather that my lawyer has for \$50,000, while it is equally true that an offer has been made to me to settle for

"I have many letters from Mr. Curtis which will be introduced into court and will make excellent reading. I am in this thing for a fight to the finish. I had other letters, too, which were addressed to me as Mrs. Curtis, which were taken from my bureau and destroyed. These were sent to me at one time when I was in Brooklyn and George was in New York.

"I never lived alone, I always had a lady friend, a Mrs. Calland, and her little girl stay with me. It is true that I was known Mrs. Halley and George was known as Mr. Halley. All the janitors and tenants where we lived knew him as such. All the neighbors around our house in Allston thought we were married and George had promised me that we should be.

"He drives his fast horses, owns a fine yacht, the Helena, which he traded with the late Gordon Prince for his Gorilla, and is a member of the Corinthian Yacht Club the Hull Yacht Club, the Orpheus Musical Club of Boston and the Cumberland Club of Portland, Me. George lived at his mother's house all the time, but he came to see me very often. Nearly every Sunday evening, and generally about twice a week besides, he spent the evenings at my home

BLIND MOONFISH DEAD.

It Had Long Been a Shining Exhibit at the

species that have long been familiar to Aquarium visitors, died in its tank on Thursday last. It had been totally blind for about four months, and it succumbed at last to growing infirmities.

The two moonfishes had been in captivity

more than five years, which is probably a record time, as these fishes are extremely pervous and sensitive and liable to shock From the time its infirmity began the blind moonfish was fed daily individually, its food being handed down to it on the end of

The moonfish is a very deep-bodied thin ash-something like a flatfish in the proportions of its body, but swimming not flatwise, but on edge and having a most beautiful body. Its sides have the appearance of the brightest, the most glistening

ance of the brightest, the most glistening mother of pearl. In some lights in a tank like that in which they are here kept, the moonfishes, when they swim near to the sides or back, reflect light on the tiled wall.

Like many another fish the moonfish has many names. One of these is dollar fish, because at one period in its growth it is of just about the size and shape and general dimensions of a silver dollar and brighter than the brightest silver dollar ever made. It is called also monkey fish, because of the resemblance of the front line of its head to the profile of a monkey. Other names of this sort that it bears are horsehead, and headfish. It is called also lookdown because it has the appearance of being always looking down.

Another name it bears is ghostfish, because of its white figure and quick gliding through the water, and it is called moonfish because of its fancied resemblance to the silvery disk of the moon.

THE AQUARIUM'S HATCHERY.

Lake Whitefish Added to the Species Turned Out, Making Four to Date.

The Aquarium received recently 275,000 whitefish eggs from Lake Michigan, the gift of the United States Fish Commissioner. These began to hatch out last week, and 20,000 wriggling young whitefish or thereaboute have already appeared.

These whitefish make the fourth species hatched out in the Aquarium's hatchery; the three others being rainbow trout, brown

trout and sculpin (salt water). Of the 14,000 rainbow-trout eggs originally placed in the hatching trays here 90 per cent. have already hatched out, and it is no doubted that 95 per cent. will hatch. The loss of the hatched-out fishes has so far been less than 3 per cent. The critical time will come when the little fishes shall have wholly absorbed the yelk sac, which remains attached to them when they emerge from the eggs, which time is now near, but it is believed that 80 per cent. or

more can be reared.

Of the 4,000 eggs of brown trout originally placed in the trays about 50 per cent. have now hatched with every indication that the brown-trout eggs will do as well in every way as the rainbows have done.

Cornerstone of Fiske Hall Laid at Wesleyan MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Feb. 22.-The corperstone of the Wilbur Fiske Hall, the fire of Wesleyan University's three new buildings, was laid yesterday afternoon by President Bradford P. Raymond. The occasion was an informal one. The Rev. John M. Lindsay, '40, of Boston, said he was personally acquainted with Dr. Fiske, who was Wesleyan's first principal. His death occurred on Feb. 22, 1839. The building will be used for recitation and administration supposes.

BURIAL OF NEWARK VICTIMS.

CHURCH BELLS TOLLED, CROWDS ON THE STREETS.

Memorial Services at the High School To-morrow-Affecting Scenes in the Churches-Two Ministers Put Blame for Wreck on Citizens of Newark.

Four funerals of victims of the Newark grade crossing accident were held yesterday afternoon between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock. Large crowds surrounded the places where the services were held and the bells of nearly all the churches in the city were tolled, beginning at 2 o'clock and continuing for ten minutes in accordance with a request made by Mayor Dore-

There were throngs on the street and no such depression has been manifested in Newark since the day of the funeral of President McKinley.

The services for Alma Loehnberg were held at her parents' home, 211 Littleton avenue. They were conducted by the Rev. Ford C. Ottman of Stamford, Conn., until recently pastor of the Memorial Presbyerian Church of Newark, which Miss Loehnberg attended. The street was packed with people for the distance of a block. The interment was made at Fairmount

Sixth street for a block around the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Werpupp at 192, when the funeral of Miss Ella Werpupp was held. The services were conducted by the Rev. Charles Girtanner of the Ger-

The funeral of Miss Rosebud Kohn was held at the home of her uncle, Henry Gluck

held at the home of her uncle, Henry Gluck of 32 Clay street, and was conducted by Rabbi Joseph Leucht of the Temple B'nai Jeshurun. The crowd around the house was dense for a long time before the services began. The pall bearers were six cousins of the deceased.

The funeral of Evans F. J. Eastwood, the only boy killed, was held at his parents home, 596 Clinton avenue, the Rev. C. M. Conther, pastor of the Clinton Hill Methodist Church, conducting the services. The church choir assisted and the cades corpe of the church was in attendance.

There will be one funeral to-day, that of Miss Jennie McLelland, daughter of Thomas McLelland of 315 South Orange avenue, who died on Friday at the City Hospital of her injuries. The services will be at the Memorial Presbyterian Church.

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In several churches sermons upon the accident were preached to large congregations. There were affecting scenes in every church where the disaster was men-

every church where the disaster was mentioned.

On Saturday night the Rev. Mr. Osborne discussed the accident in a speech at the Washington Birthday celebration of St. John's Lodge of Masons. He said that the blame for it rested upon the citizens of Newark. The Rev. E. A. Wasson, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, preached on "The Trolley Horror" yesterday morning. He also said that the citizens of Newask must bear the blame for the accident. Memorial services will be held at the high school to-morrow afternoon, beginning at 1:30 o'clock. An address will be made by the Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, and hymns will be sung by the school. and hymns will be sung by the school. Principal Wayland E. Stearns will make a short address and will read letters and resolutions of sympathy which are now being received from high schools all over the State.

TROUBLE WITH THAT BLACKLIST. C. F. U. Spelling Committee Can't Get the Names Right-Trustees to Try.

The Central Federated Union's bulletin poard on which it is to blacklist the names of the Aldermen who voted for the Penn-sylvania tunnel franchise wasn't up yesterday and there was a mighty howl for it. The C. F. U. had left it to a spelling comfor the board was raised yesterday Com-mitteeman McConville of the Safety Engineers' Association was shoved to his feet He admitted that he was a member of the spelling committee, but he could only say that the committee was still struggling

with the names.

Delegate Morton of the Amalgamated Wood Workers, who is a trustee of the C. F. U., said that some one must be responsible for the board.

sponsible for the board.

"I'll hold you responsible, as you are a trustee," said the chairman.

Morton protested, but the chairman gave a big rap with his gavel and remarked:

"I'll give the trustee a fortnight to have that bulletin board here with all the names properly spelled."

Then he shut up debate.

NO GALLANTRY IN THE C. F. U. It Leaves Women Unionists to Get Out of

Union Tangle as Best They Can. The delegates of the Cap Makers' Union on behalf of the Cap Lining Workers' Union, which is composed of women, explained at yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union that the women were in dif ficulties. They were giving a ball for their union and found after engaging a band from one union that they would have to engage a band from another union because the first one wasn't in the C. F. U. Therefore they would have to pay two bands unless the C. F. U. gallantly helped them

out.

It was found that the band belonged to the United Hebrew Trades, which recently refused to be gobbled up by the C. F. U. so the latter refused to interfere.

SHIPBUILDING MEN MAY STRIKE. 10,000 Employees of the American Company Threaten to Go Out.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.-Ten thousand union employees of the American Shipbuilding Company will go on strike, it is said, unless a settlement of the grievances with the 1,100 employees at the South Chicago plant, now on strike, is reached at a conference to be held in South Chicago to-morrow.

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The trouble that the machinists, firemen and engineers have had with the managers of the South Chicago branch for several years came to a climax two weeks ago, when the plant was tied up by a general strike. The national officers have determined that a final struggle to establish union principles at South Chicago must be made at this time.

Horsesbeers Getting Together.

The Horseshoers' Union, whose demand for the union label has been refused at the brewery shops, reported yesterday that the Master Horseshoers' Association had agreed to see a committee of the journeymen, with a view to settling the dispute. The master horseshoers have a label of their own which the union wants them to give up.

C. F. C. Indorses the Child Labor Bill. The new bill of the Child Labor Committee to bring small bootblacks, newsboys and pediers under the provisions of the Labor laws was submitted for indorsement at yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union. After the delegates had denounced Commodore Gerry's children's society they indorsed the bill.

Weisman-Lobe.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 22 - Miss Bertha Lobe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lobe Lobe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lobe of 2318 Eutaw place, was married to Morton Weisman of Brooklyn, N. Y., at Lehmann's Hall at 6 P. M., by the Rev. Dr. William Rosenau, rabbi of Eutaw Place Synagogue, assisted by the Rev. Alois Kaiser, the cantor of the temple. The bride was given away by her father. The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Miss Sadie Lobe. The best man was the bridegroom's brother Edward Weisman of Brooklyn

BANK DEPOSITORS MENACE. Woman Shakes Her Fists at President

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Feb. 22.-One re-

sult of the bank failures in Asbury Park was witnessed to-day when the quiet of Sunday was broken in the vicinity of President George F. Kroehle's residence by the threatening conduct of Mrs. Jack Kneirim, who walked back and forth shaking her fists at the windows of the bank presi-An unusual proportion of the 7,700 policedent's house and muttering to herself.

So menacing was the conduct of the woman, who had lost money in the bank smash, that a citizen who saw her telephoned to the police, asking that the woman be looked after, as she was apparently unbalanced by the misfortune that had sickness last night. befallen her. The woman was not the only sufferer

who loitered about Mr. Kroehle's residence. Guests in the Grand Avenue Hotel, opposite, saw Italians and poorly dressed men going up and down and gazing with dark aces into the house.

They apparently believed that Mr. Kroehle was in the house. He has not been here, however, for several days and it is believed that he is in New York. His beautiful home here is in charge of his children. Officer Davison was despatched to the

ouse and persuaded Mrs. Kneirim to re-The scenes in front of Mr. Kroehle's dence are a repetition of others at the hand-some home of A. C. Twining, President of the Monmouth Trust and Safe Deposit

ROOSEVELT LIKE WASHINGTON.

Most Like Since the Lamented George Went to Heaven," Says Dr. Lorimer.

Every seat was occupied and many stood Carnegie Hall yesterday afternoon during stirring patriotic meeting held under the suspices of the West Side Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Hamlton Wright Mabie presided and Washington was the theme of all the addresses. Dr. George C. Lorimer of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, who spoke of Washngton as a leader, said that the father of his country was unfortunate in his first biographer, who was a preacher.

"As a result," said he "we have the George of the cherry tree, the George who couldn't or wouldn't or shouldn't tell a lie, and we also have him pictured as an archangel in opboots with a puff hat and a periwig. Drawing a mental picture of Washington

as he conceived him amid the hardships and actualties of life, Dr. Lorimer said: "Get some human nature into your Washing-ton." He went on to say that Washing-

ton." He went on to say that Washington deplored partisanship, the great mischief maker of the present day.

"Partisanship," he continued, "is an equivalent for corruption, for people when blinded by it, are willing to approve extravagances that they would condemn in another party. A Democrat can put a negro in a post office or even entertain him in his home; but let a Republican do the same thing and there is an outcry. God bless President Roosevelt (cheers) and give him strength! He is in many respects the most like Washington since the lamented George went to heaven. Let him do as a lot of his Democratic predecessors have and what a wailing, what a lot of criticism, humbug and nonsense!" Dr. Charles P. Fagnani of Union The

logical Seminary was applauded loudly when he said that looking down the vistas of the millenium, he could conceive of no time when Washington's birthday would not be celebrated, even after the United States gave way to the federation

of the world.

Dr. Donald Sage Mackay of the Fifth
Avenue Collegiate Church said that the
keynote of Washington's life was service. LIKE BIRTHDAY PARTY OF '76.

Mary Washington Bond Morosini, Months Old, Celebrates. MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Feb. 22 .- A Wash ington's Birthday party was given here to-day in honor of little Mary Washington Bond Morosini, who is just 18 months Mary Washington, the mother of George

Her father is Attillio P. Morosini, son of Giovanni Morosini, the banker. Her mother is Mary Washington Bond of New Jersey, a great-great-grand niece of George Washington. The Morosinis live on Rich avenue, in a villa, which is furnished with many relics and paintings of Gen. Wash-

ington.

In front of the house a big American flag waved all day. The birthday dinner of Mary was attended by twenty chilren from Philadelphia, all related to her on the mother's side.

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The guests wore powdered wigs in the style of 1776. The boys were attired in Colonial knickerbockers and the girls wore old-fashioned frocks.

Mr. Morosini distributed among his Mr. Morosini distributed among his daughter's little guests souvenirs of the day consisting of Colonial dressed dolls and boxes of candy, the covers of which con-tained Washington's portrait.

REVOLUTION'S SONS AT CHURCH. Great Turnout of Other Patriotic Societies

in Washington's Memory. The Society Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York held is thirteenth annual service in commemoration of the birth of George Washington in the Brick Presbyterian Church yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Morgan Dix, rector of Trinity Church and chaplain of the society, con-

Church and chaplain of the society, conducted the service and the Rev. Dr. W. R. Richards, pastor of the church, preached.
Five delegates were present from each of these military and patriotic societies: The Society of Colonial Wars, the Military Society of the War of 1812, the Military Order of Foreign Wars, the Azice Club of 1847, the Daughters of the Revolution, the Colonial Dames of the State of New York, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion and the Colonial Dames of America.

This evening the society will give a dinner at Delmonico's. The souvenirs will be bronze statuettes of Nathan Hale.

TO CLEAR ENGINEER DAVIS. Foreman of the Union County Grand Jury in Philadelphia to Investigate.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22 .- J. S. Stanberry, foreman of the Grand Jury of Union county. N. J., which has refused to accept the verdict rendered them by the Coroner' inquest in the recent railroad wreck at Plainfield, N. J., has been in this city several days to investigate the locomotive that drew the express. Several meetings have been held at the home of Mrs. James Davis, wife of the dead engineer, 1555 Seltzer

the Grand Jury of Union county not only make an investigation of Engine

to make an investigation of Engine 27, but others of the roundhouse at Ninth and Green streets, and to interview the local engineers upon the subject of James Davis and the wreck.

"I am to make this investigation," said Mr. Stansberry to-night, "as vigorously as possible, in order that every incident in connection with the wreck that resulted in the killing of so many persons may be brought to light. The verdict of the inquest which placed the blame of the wreck upon Davis seems to myself and other upon Davis seems to myself and other members of the Grand Jury unjust, and I am here to obtain the needed evidence to clear him of such a stigma."

Col. Simmens Dead.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 22.—Z. E. (Eph) Simmons, one of the best-known trotting-horse breeders in America and the man who brought George Wilkes to Kentucky, is dead. He was 78 years old and a native of New York State.

MANY POLICEMEN ARE SICK,

AND THE NEW PLATOON SYSTEM GETS ALL THE BLAME.

Weather May Have Helped to Lay the Men

Up, but it's Long Tours of Duty That Help It Along, the Cops Say—828 Were Off Duty Yesterday for Sickness.

nen in the city are on the sick list. The weather is one cause, but the policemen themselves blame the new platoon system of Commissioner Greene. official report showed 328 men off duty for

In the Tenderloin precinct last night there were nineteen men on sick leave. The other policemen there say that most of these are suffering from severe colds brought on by having to do eight hours' four hours on reserve work in the station house. One policeman made this explanation:

"The men can't stand eight hours' steady night duty and then stay on reserve for four hours more in the station house. This bad weather has illustrated this thoroughly. A cop, for instance, does an eight-hour turn on the sidewalk and then sits with his wet clothes on in the station for four more. Taking time lost in relieving, the best he gets is not more than ten hours at home. nearly all of which is spent in sleeping. We have to do three weeks at night and

We have to do three weeks at night and then are changed to the same stretch of day duty. Most of the cops that are laid up at home now you will find have been doing the night turn."

Four sergeants told a Sun reporter last night that they had been home but twice in two weeks. Three of them live in The Bronx and the other in Staten Island. The returns at Headquarters for the week ending Saturday show that twenty-one sergeants are sick. One of them said last night:

sergeants are sick. One of them said last night:

"While many of the patrolmen are suffering from colds the sergeants are victims of stomach trouble. I have to eat nearly all of my meals in a station house and these meals consist mainly of a cup of coffee and a sandwich, and that kind of food will in time put any man out of business."

The consolidation sheet at Headquarters last night showed that there were 328 policemen sick in the department at the present time. These figures are based on the captain's figures of two or three days ago and the actual number of sick men is probably larger. The report, however, shows a larger sick list than that of a month ago.

PIPER DEFENDS OUR POLICE. Not So Black as They Are Painted. He Says in London

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Deputy Police Com missioner Piper of New York, in an interview here, defends the New York police against the charge of corruption. He

sometimes painted. They have great political influence, certainly, for they control about 30,000 votes, and are perhaps able o turn an election. "If they decided they wanted a Tammany egime they could probably get it. There are many reasons why Irishmen are at-

tracted to the force. An Irishman takes naturally to politics. He is also a pretty good fighter, and this fact does not make him a bad policeman in New York, for you cannot take Sunday school teachers for Capt. Piper does not think that the fame politeness of the London police exceeds that of the American police. The English method of opening saloons during certain ours on Sundays commends itself to Capt Piper, who thinks that the closing of saloon

from midnight Saturday until Monday morning induces people to lay in a store of liquor over night by which they spend four times the money they would do if they had access to bars. "SPARROW COPS" TO RETURN?

Greene Visits Central Park and Looks Into Police Matters There. Police Commissioner Greene spent con siderable time Saturday afternoon in looking into the affairs of the Central Park squad and he left the impression that he intended to reassemble the old Park policemen who had been transferred to other

precincts by Devery.

At the 4 o'clock rollcall at the Arsenal the Commissioner went behind the desk and as each man in the platoon answered to his name the Commissioner asked him how long he had been in the department how long he had been in the Park and in what other precincts he had done duty It developed that nearly all of the men had been transferred to the Park since consolidation. Capt. Thomas reported that the squad lacked about twenty men of

the squad lacked about twenty men of its usual complement of 160. The Commissioner said he would try to get the necessary number of men for duty there, and expressed the opinion that Park policemen required a different training from the men in outside precincts.

Previous to 1808 the "Sparrow cops" were under the jurisdiction of the Park Commissioner. After consolidation a change took place. Outside policemen thought it would be a "snap" to get into Central Park and politicians prevailed on Devery to make the transfers. Some of the men who had been in the Park for many years were forced to retire to make room for younger men. The transfers were made without consulting the Park Commissioner.

INSPECTORS' REPORTS ARE BAD. Gen. Greene Visits Two of Them and Finds Fault With Them.

Police Commissioner Greene went out in his auto yesterday, accompanied by Inspec tor Brooks and W. S. Coursey, the Com missioner s private secretary. Gen. Greene called on Inspectors Clayton and Smith at their headquarters in the Eldridge and the Leonard street stations.

The Commissioner said last night that he talked to the Inspectors about their weekly reports, which, he said, had not been altogether satisfactory. He would not say just what was wrong with the reports.

He also called at the Old Slip station and chatted with Capt. Farrell, who was elevated to his rank three weeks ago. On Saturday Gen. Greene visited the other three Inspectors on Manhattan Island. called on Inspectors Clayton and Smith a

Police Got 101 Excise Prisoners. In the whole city yesterday 101 excis arrests were made by the police, all but four being in Manhattan. Capt. Schmittberger's police of the West Forty-seventh street station made ten arrests, the highest number for any one precinct, as usual

Sunday School Pupils Chase a Thief. An overcoat thief was caught in the act of robbing the rack in Dr. A. C. Bartlett's residence, 23 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn vesterday afternoon. He ran out and yesterday afternoon. He ran out and dashed down the avenue toward Fulton street. Some one stood on Dr. Bartlett's stoop shouting "Stop thieft" The children of the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church Sunday school had just been dismissed, and they took up the cry. Policeman Murtha joined the chase at Fulton street and caught the thief after a run of three blocks. He said he was George T. Church of 223 Fulton street, a lodging house.

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IMarch 22-They're Getting Ready for Him. At yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union a letter was read from District Attorney Jerome in which he thanked the C. F. U. for its courtesy in inmeetings, and said he would be present on Sunday, March 22, if it was convenient. It was decided that it would be convenient

and Mr. Jerome is to be so informed. That Mr. Jerome will have questions upon whole lot of subjects to answer was evident. A delegate of the Cloth Spongers' Union appeared yesterday with a new grievance against the District Attorney The delegate said that a member who had The delegate said that a member who had been suspended by his union and afterward discharged by his employer, had appealed to the courts. The man had complained to his former employer about the shop delegate and others, and his discharge was owing to the threat of a strike.

"Since then Mr. Jerome has seen fit to interfere." said the delegate. "He has been having our members in his office daily and he or his subordinates have been putting them through the third degree."

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Delegate Harris of the Cigarmakers said that Mr. Jerome had no right to inter-

fere.

"This shows how he feels toward organized labor," said Harris. "The unions are getting to be so prosperous that the powers that be are afraid of them."

Harris went on to say that the unions would eventually elect their own public officers and make their own laws. The action of the cloth spongers was indorsed.

MEAN TO GET RID OF CORONERS.

Doctors and Others Going to Albany to

A number of lawyers, doctors and heads of city departments met yester-day afternoon at the Bar Association to confer with Senator Elsberg on his bill to do away with the Coroners and have their work done by the Board of Health, the District Attorney and the City Magistrates. The bill is said to have the sanc-

trates. The bill is said to have the sanction of District Attorney Jerome, a number of city officials and enough doctors and lawyers to make its passage likely.

Among those present at the conference were Drs. Stephen Smith, E. Eliot Harris, Frederick Holme Wiggin, John W. S. Gouley W. Travis Gibb, H. R. Purdy and F. R. Sturgis, Lawyer James Tayler Lewis and others. Several of these, according and others. Several of these, according to one of those present, will go to Albany to-morrow to attend the hearing on the bill and favor it.

Dr. Purdy said last night that he was heartily in favor of the bill and believed other doctors were because the conduct of the Coroners had resulted in "a series of costly, perfunctory and undignified proceedings," a repetition of which Senator Elsberg's bill would prevent.

DR. BRANNAN THINKS IT CAN BE FINISHED IN THAT TIME. Wants the \$3,000,000 Appropriation Paid

in Four Parts-New Buildings Will Accommodate 1,200 Patients and Be as Fireproof as They Can Be Made. Dr. John W. Brannan, president of the board of trustees of Bellevue Hospital, said yesterday that he was gratified at the attitude taken by the Board of Estimate on his application for an appropriation of

\$3,000,000 for a new Bellevue Hospital Dr. Brannan proposes that the hospital be built in four sections, one section at a time. Then the city could pay in installments, the first installment to cover the cost of the plans and the building of the first section. Dr. Brannan believes that the hospital would be finished in four years. Dr. Brannan's idea of the proposed new hospital is to have the main hospital building in the centre of the plot at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street. The adminis-tration building, smaller than the main hospital building, would front on First

avenue with a grass plot between it and the hospital building. The insane ward, the ward for patients with contagious diseases, the consumptives' ward and the alcoholic ward, according to Dr. Brannan's plan should be connected with the main building by underground or covered overhead passageways. This would do away with transferring patients from

one ward to another without any proward to another without any protection.

What Bellevue needs most, Dr. Brannaussys, is a modern fireproof structure. While everything possible has been done to prevent fire and to fight it should the energency arise, the present building is of wood, and persons who have made a study of it say that it would probably go very fast should a fire get much headway. Under the system in the hospital, however, the patients would not be in any great danger and would undoubtedly be saved.

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The plumbing system in the hospitals is also bad. Nearly every day a pipe bursts in one of the wards causing considerable damage. There is but one elevator in the hospital and that doesn't come near filling the need. Patients, nurses, attendants, doctors and corpses are carried on this lone elevator, and Dr. Brannan believes that this can be improved upon in the new

hospital.

The new hospital, as proposed by Dr.,
Brannan, will have room for 1,200 patients. The present hospital accommodates about 900. The plot of ground which the hospital occupies is large enough so that the hospital can be enlarged if the needs of the city demand it.

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